Tax and Spending Patterns by State and Local Governments

Kentucky and Bordering States

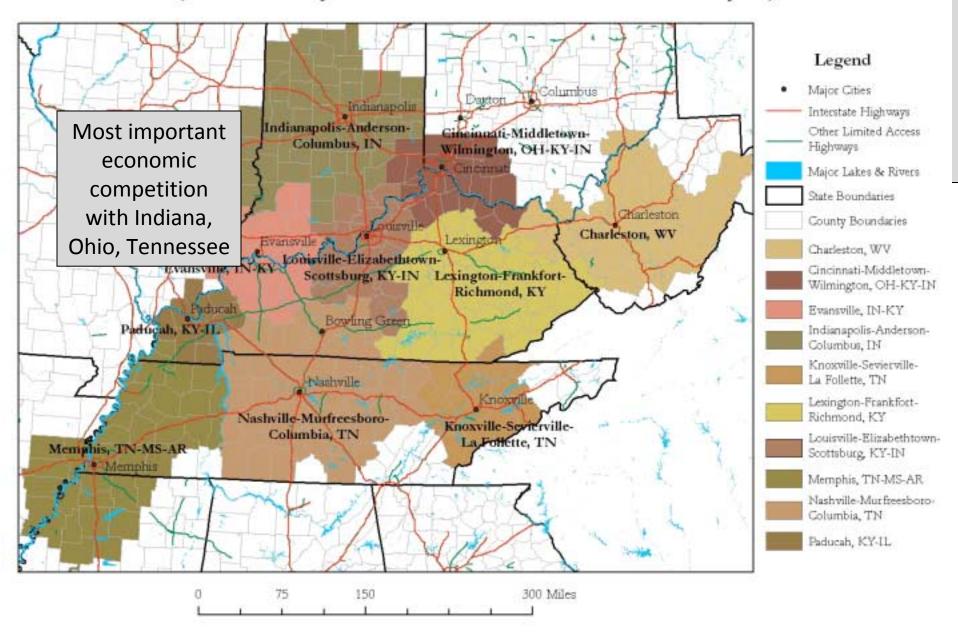
some selected evidence

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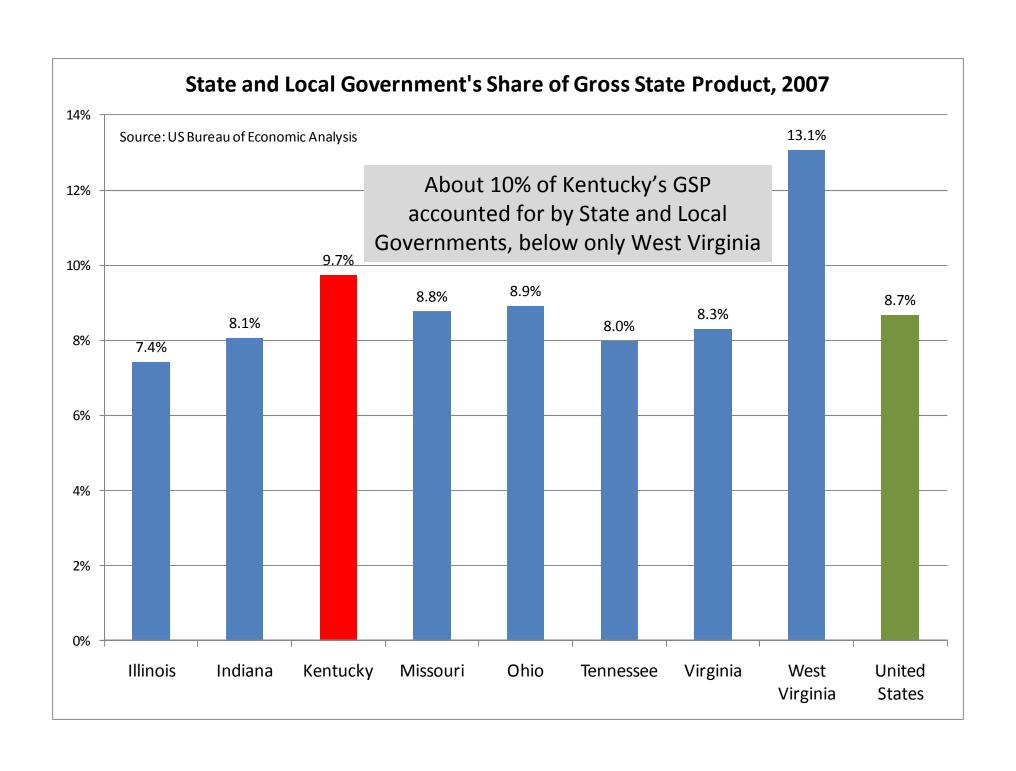
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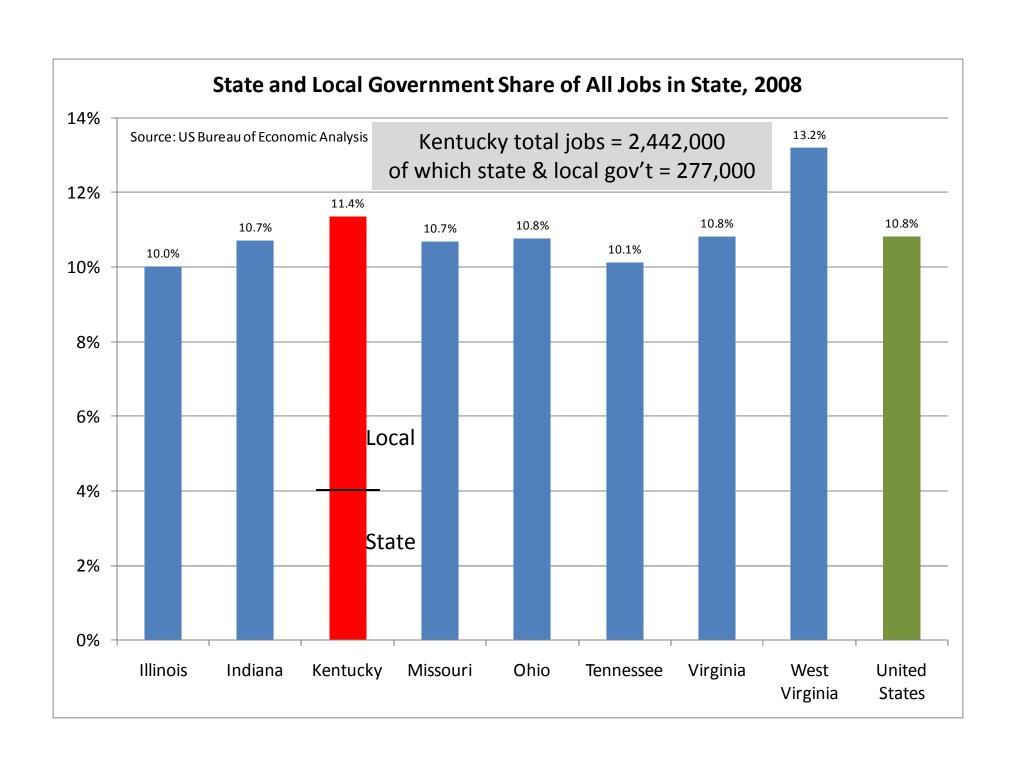


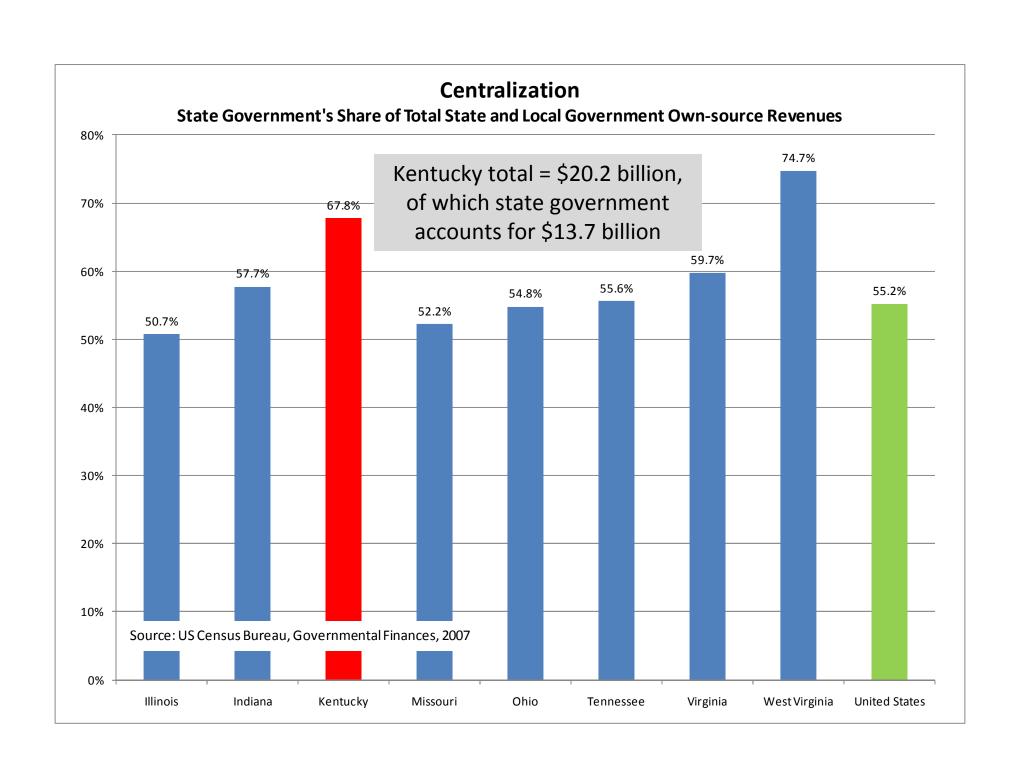
Regional Economic Areas (as defined by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis)

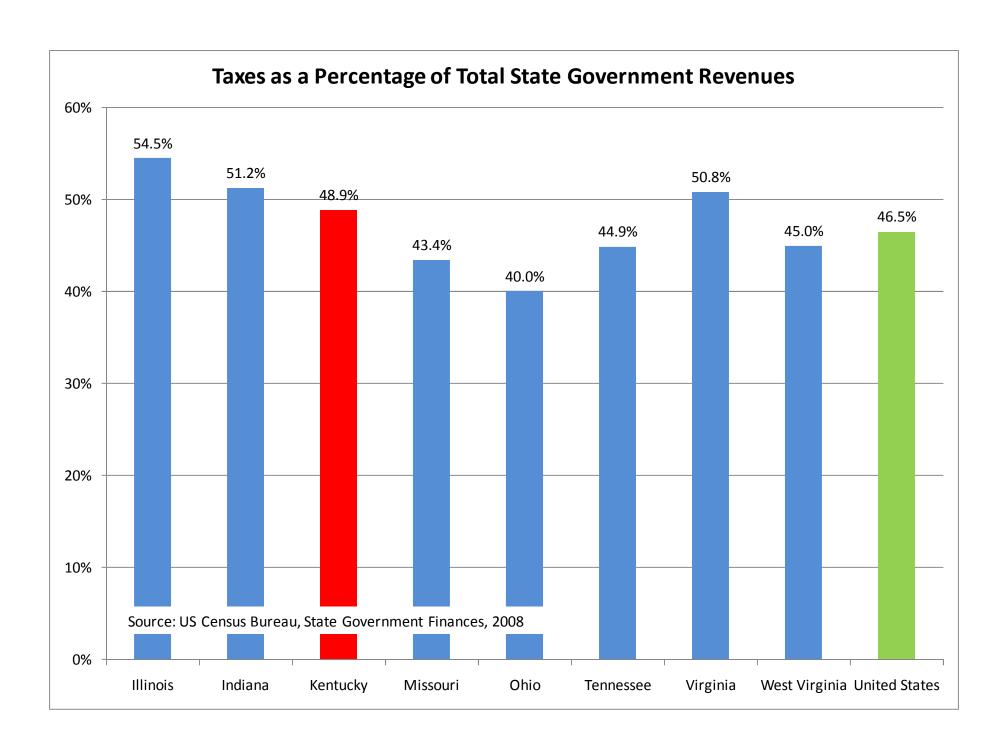


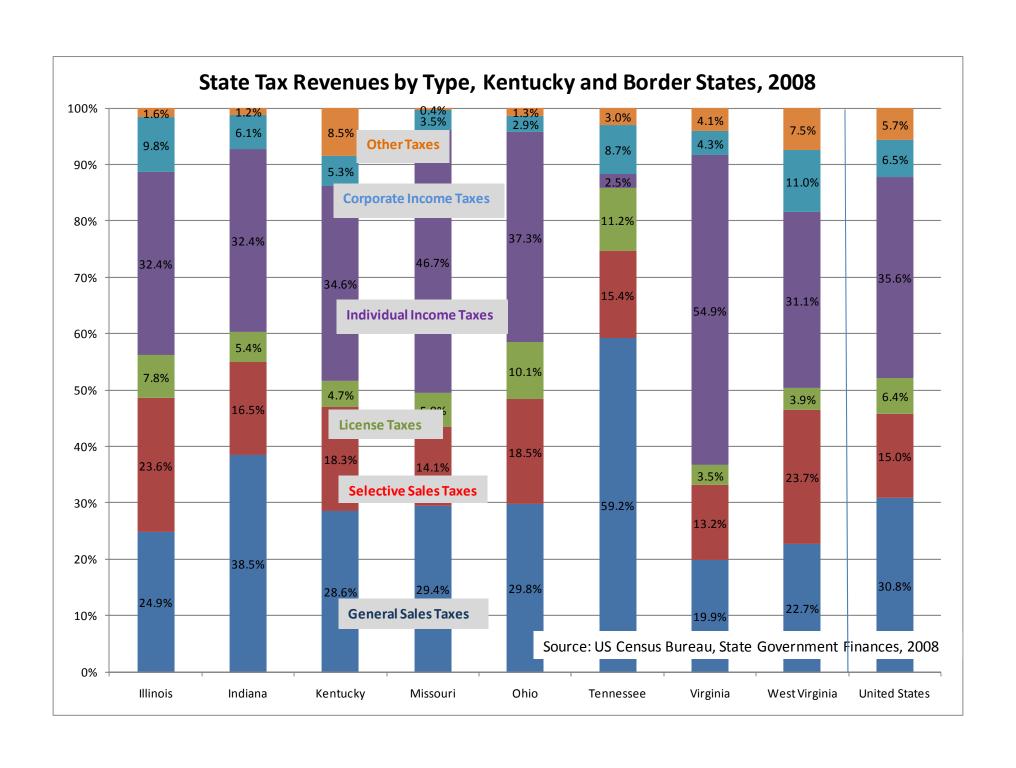
High-level state comparisons of government size, revenues, and expenditures

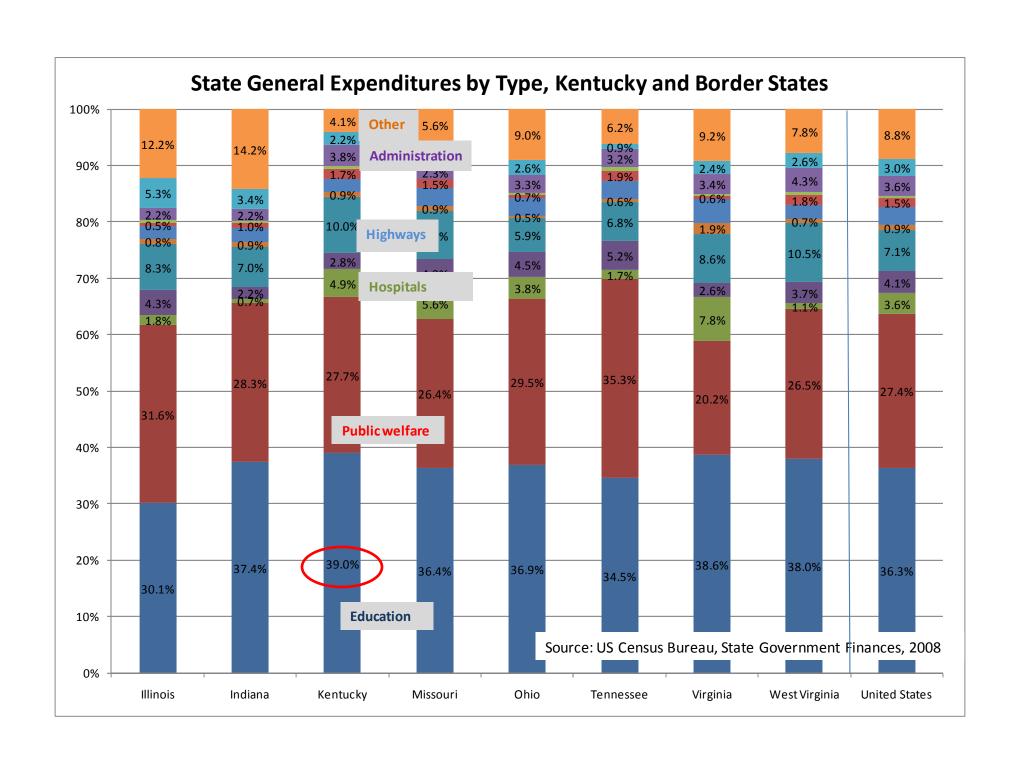












Family 'Tax Burdens'

Annual Washington DC Mayor's office study of family tax burdens in largest city in each state.

Assumes two wage earners, one school age child, with earning split 70/30 among adults.

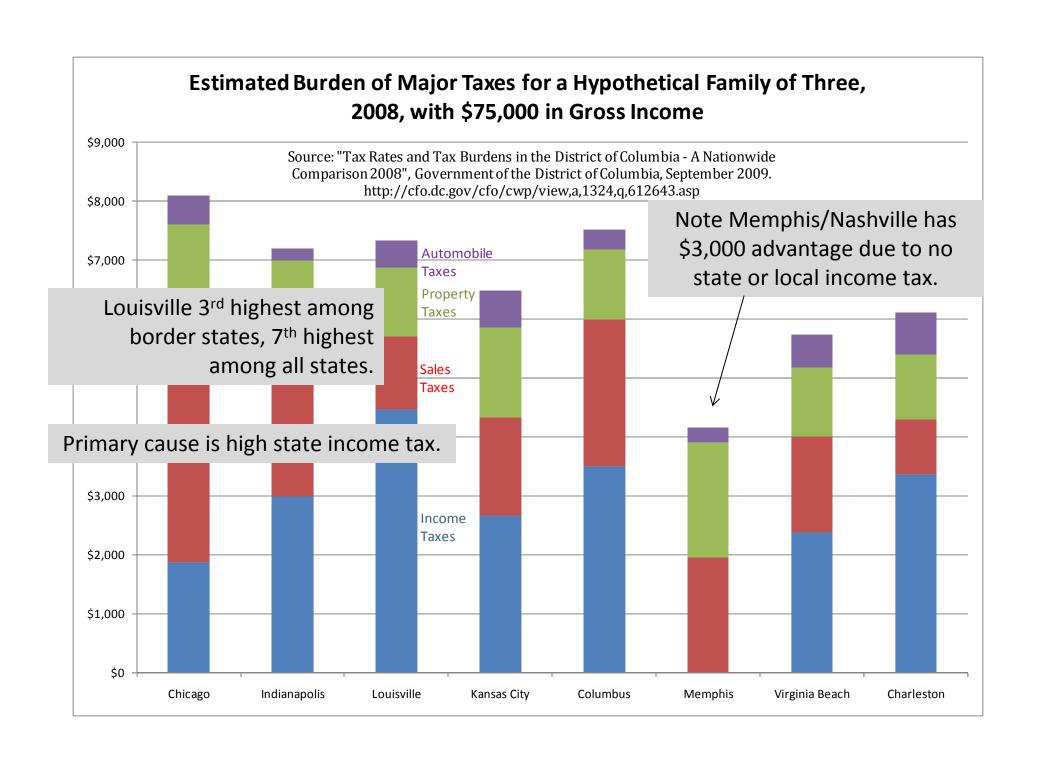
Looks at major state and local taxes on families with gross incomes of \$25,000, \$50,000, \$75,000, \$100,000, \$150,000.

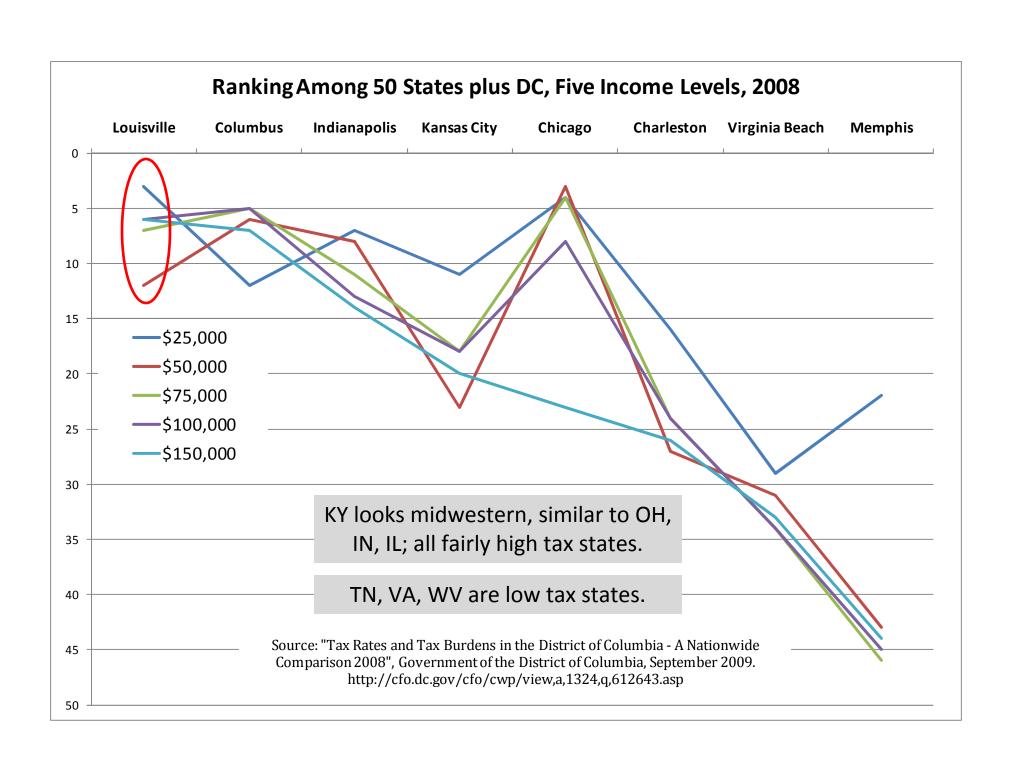
Considers income, sales, real property, automobile taxes and fees. Includes local sales taxes, occupational taxes. Estimates local housing values, car values for each income bracket.

Does not take account of deductibility of tax payments on federal income tax.

Largest 'City' in each state is defined as largest municipality, not metro area.....

.....so, we can compare the City of Louisville to Charleston, Chicago, Columbus, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Memphis, and Virginia Beach.





Income Taxes

Hard to figure out ultimate tax burden from tax rate schedules



State Individual Income Tax Rates, 2009 Local Rates Excluded As of July 1, 2009

		(2009's noteworthy changes in bold)			
State	Deduct- ibility	Marginal Rates and Tax Brackets for Single Filers (a)	Standard Deduction		Personal Exer
			Single	Joint	Single
Illinois	No	3% of federal adjusted gross income with modification	n.a	n.a	\$2,000
Indiana (x)	No	3.4% of federal	n.a	n.a	\$1,000
		adjusted gross income			
		with modification			
Kentucky (x,s)	No	2% > \$0 3% > \$3,000 4% > \$4,000 5% > \$5,000 5.8% > \$8,000 6% > \$75,000	\$2,100 (n)	\$2,100 (n)	\$ 20 (c)
Missouri (x,s)	Yes (p)	1.5% > \$0	\$5,450 (o)	\$10,900 (o)	\$2,100
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		2.5% > \$2,000			
		3% > \$3,000			
		3.5% > \$4,000			
		4% > \$5,000			
		4.5% > \$6,000			
		5% > \$7,000			
		5.5% > \$8,000			
		6% > \$9,000			
Ohio (x,s)	No	0.587% > \$0 1.174% > \$5,000 2.348% > \$10,000 2.935% > \$15,000 3.521% > \$20,000	n.a	n.a	\$1,450 (e) (n)
		4.109% > \$40,000 4.695% > \$80,000 5.451% > \$100,000 5.925% > \$200,000			
Tennessee	No	6% > \$0 (f)	n.a	n.a	\$1,250
Virginia (s)	No	2% > \$0 3% > \$3,000 5% > \$5,000 5.75% > \$17,000	\$3,000	\$6,000	\$930
West Virginia (s)	No	3% > \$0	n.a	n.a	\$2,000
		4% > \$10,000			
		4.5% > \$25,000			
		6% > \$40,000			
		6.5% > \$60,000			

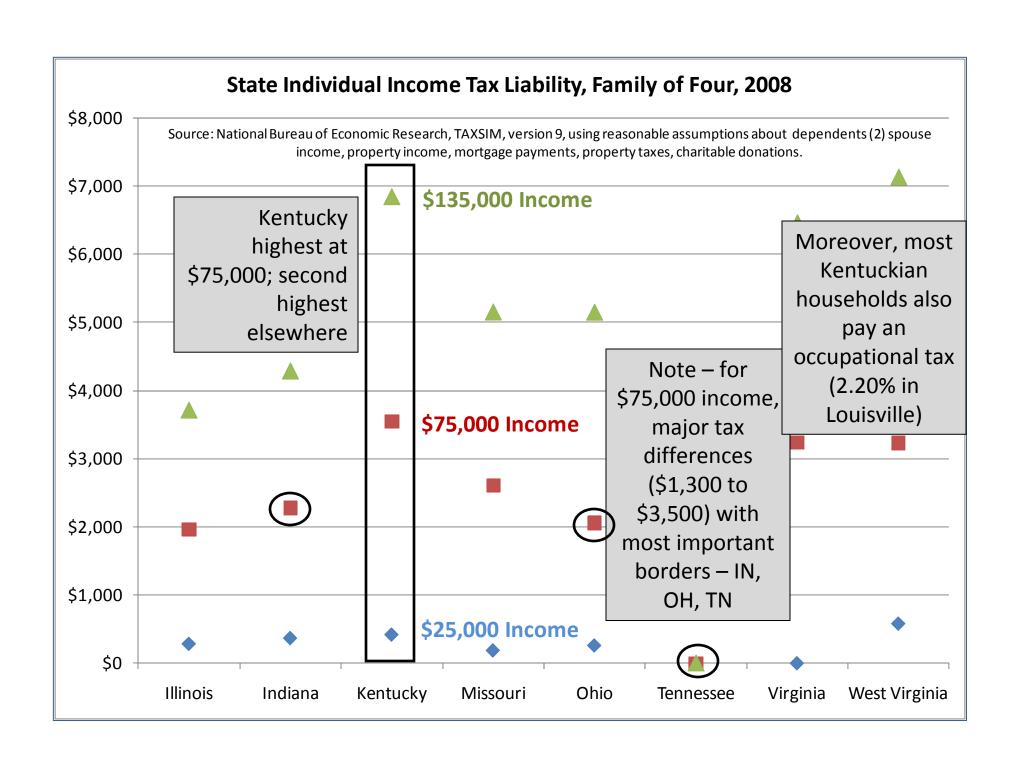
Income Taxes - simulated

TAXSIM (National Bureau of Economic Research) Results – Kentucky and Border States, 2008

Household income: \$25,000, \$75,000, \$135,000

- two income earners filing jointly
- plus \$0, \$2,000, \$5,000 in non-wage income
- two dependents
- \$1,000 to \$2,000 property taxes paid
- \$5,000 to \$8,000 in mortgage interest, charitable deductions

Report State Income Tax Liability for each state

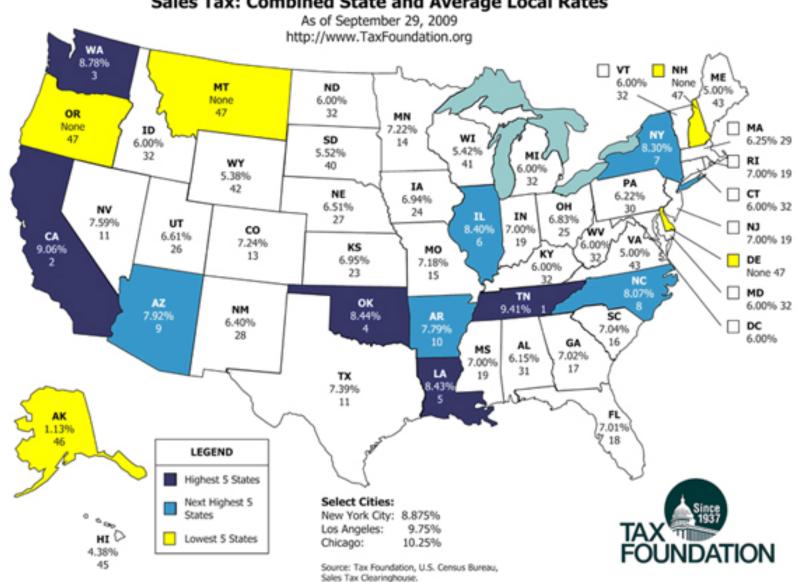


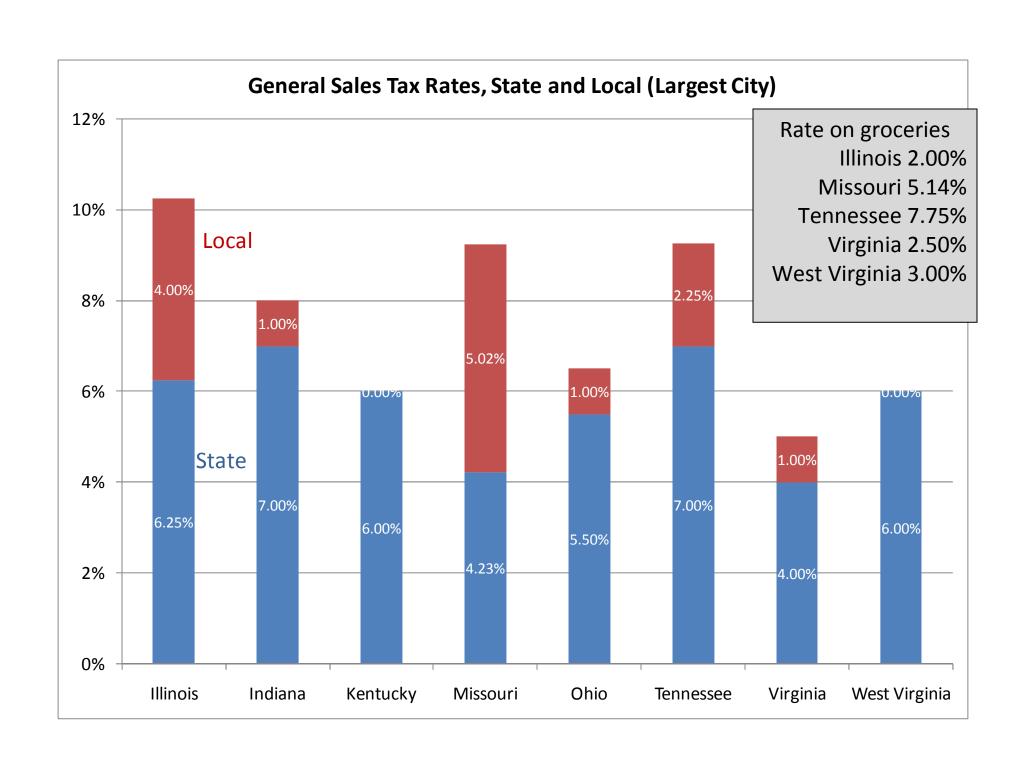
Sales-based Taxes

Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee and Missouri higher than Kentucky, only Virginia lower.

All border states except WV have local option sales taxes.

Sales Tax: Combined State and Average Local Rates



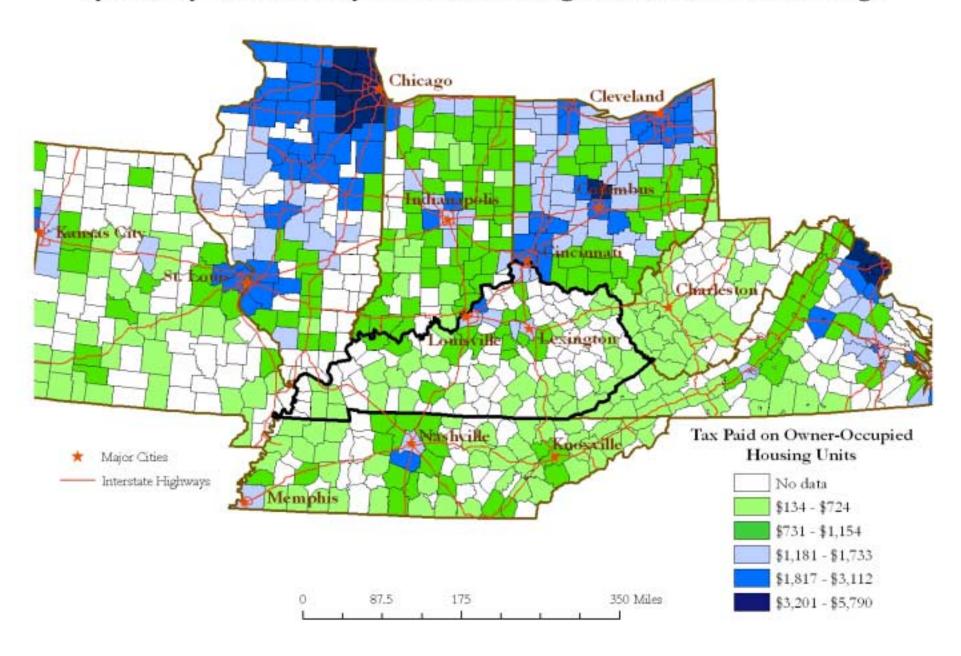


Property-based Taxes

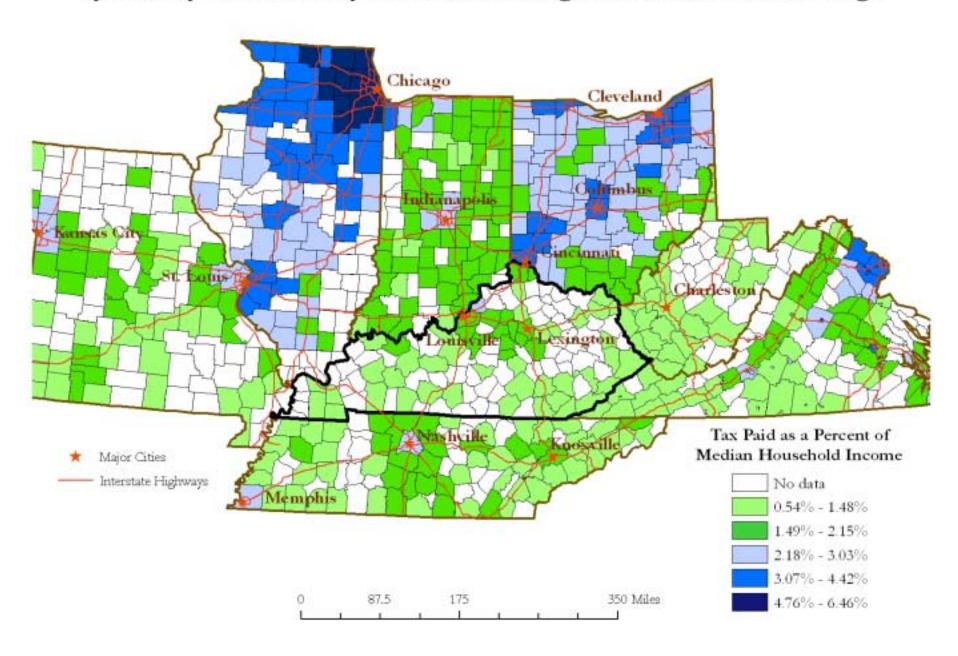
from 2005-07 American Community Survey
US Census Bureau

Households report real estate taxes, home value, income. Estimates only available for more populated counties.

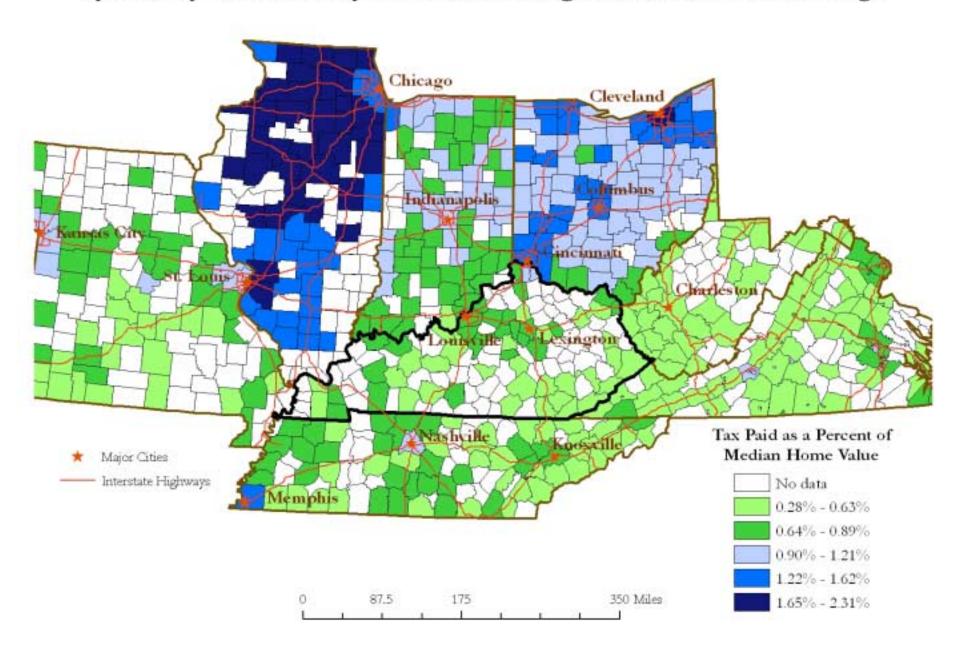
Median Property Taxes Paid on Owner-Occupied Housing Units by County for Kentucky and Surrounding States, 2005-2007 Average



Median Property Taxes Paid as a Percentage of Median Household Income by County for Kentucky and Surrounding States, 2005-2007 Average



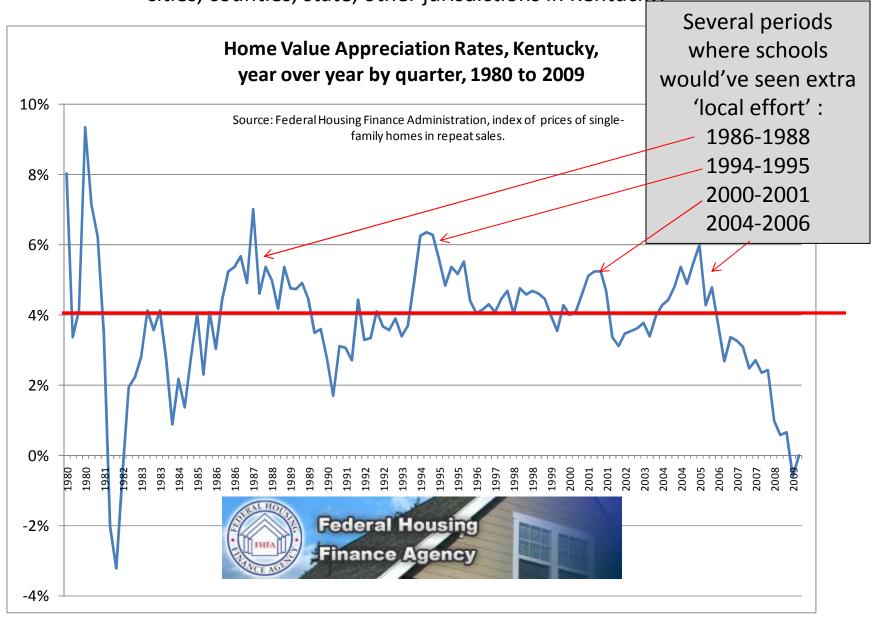
Median Property Taxes Paid as a Percentage of Median Home Value by County for Kentucky and Surrounding States, 2005-2007 Average



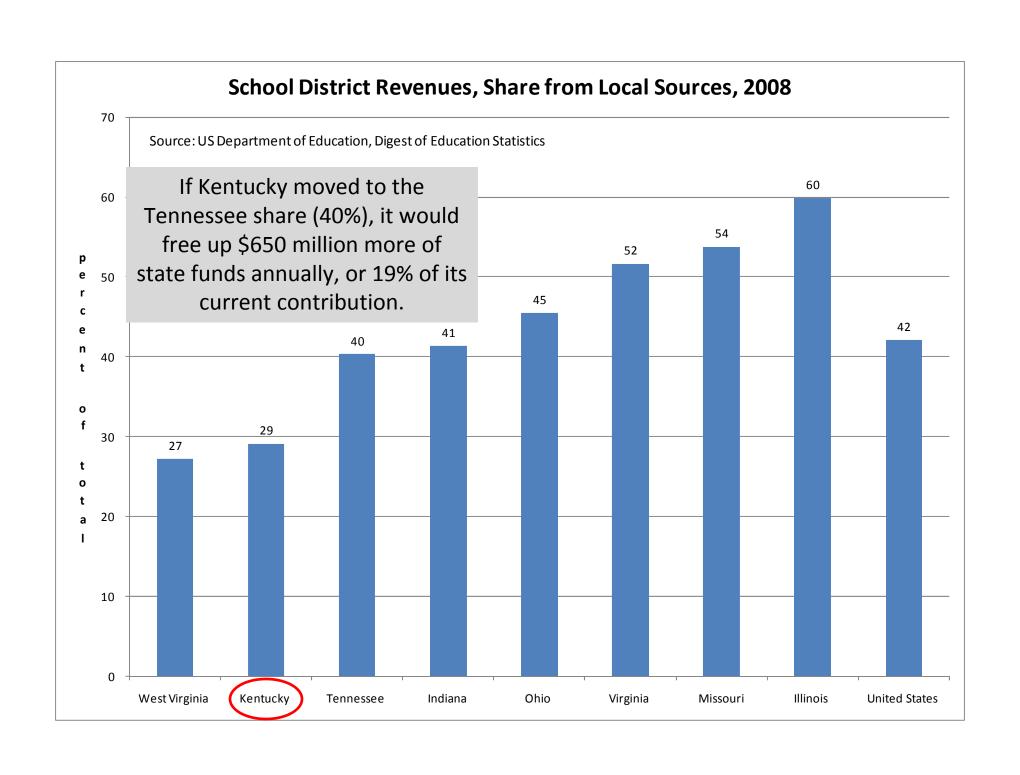
Share of Total Revenues from Local Property Taxes, FY07					
	City, County Governments, Special Districts	School D istricts	All Local Governments		
Illinois	18.9%	47.8%	30.9%		
Indiana	19.2%	31.5%	23.8%		
Kentucky	10.3%	24.4%	16.3%		
Missouri	12.9%	35.5%	22.5%		
O hio	14.4%	39.4%	24.8%		
Tennessee	15.2%		15.1%		
Virginia	29.1%		29.0%		
West Virginia	16.4%	28.5%	22.9%		
United States	19.0%	34.3%	23.6%		
Source: US Census Bui	eau. Governm enta	l Finances			

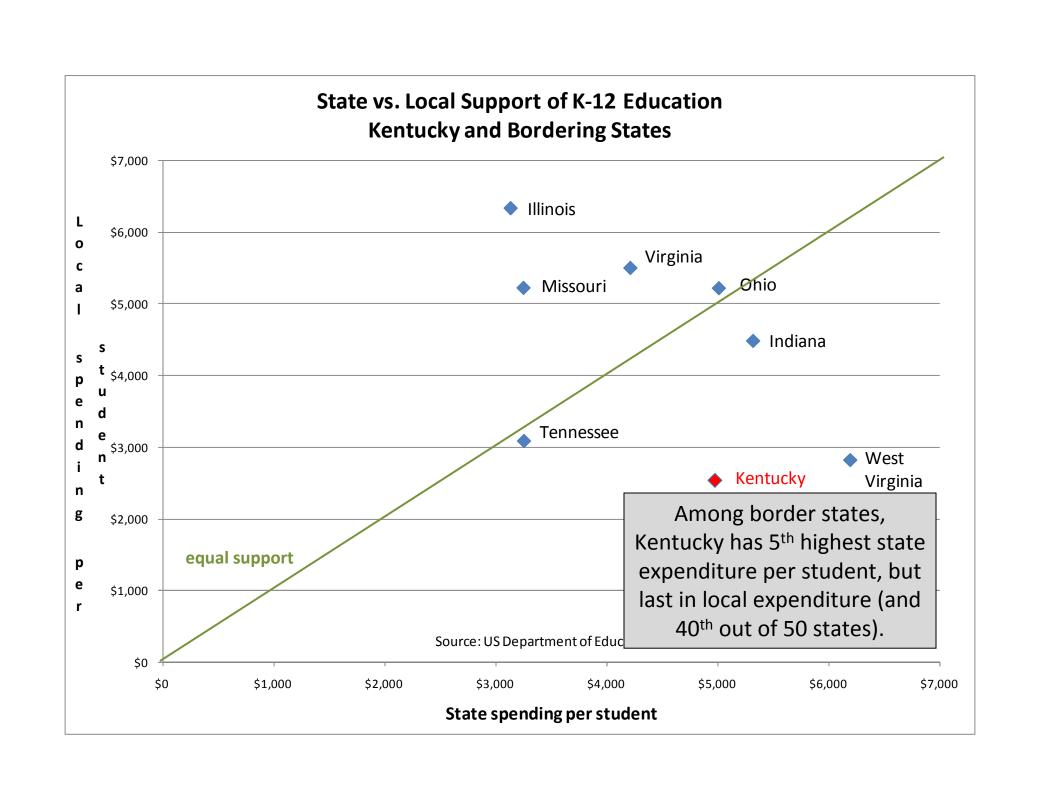
Very low reliance on property taxes for local governments and public schools.

House Bill 44: annual cap of 4% on property tax revenues to schools, cities, counties, state, other jurisdictions in Kentuckv.



Education Spending





In summary, it appears that

- ❖ Kentucky has high concentration of government jobs
- ❖ Kentucky centralizes public finances at state level relative to local level
- ❖ Family tax burdens in Kentucky are high, primarily due to state income tax
- ❖ Kentucky less reliant on sales tax revenues, at both state and local levels
- *Kentucky less reliant on property taxes, thus decreasing local support for schools
- ❖Kentucky funds <u>local</u> schools through <u>state</u> taxes more than any bordering state except WV

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